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**Council Report**  
**February 1, 2016**

**UPCOMING PROGRAM DATES:**

- ✓ 2/5: Dare to Bear Polar Bear Skate, 7-8:30 p.m., Riverside Skating Center
- ✓ 2/22: Parks Board Meeting, 4:30 p.m.
- ✓ 3/6: Riverside Skating Center to close for the season

**PROJECTS:**

- ✓ Key administrative staff attended IPRA State Conference in January. Presented Stormwater Management session w/ Michael Susong. Awards presented to Ass't Superintendent Pennie Ainsworth and Sam Postlethwaite.
- ✓ 2015 Annual Report completed & available. Click on link.
- ✓ Staff continue to meet w/ Purdue Extension Staff and Consultant Browning Day Mullins & Dierdorf regarding the Master Plan. Public input questionnaire now available at: <http://tiny.cc/wlparkssurvey>.
- ✓ Received new Tool cat from Bobcat Lafayette.
- ✓ Cleaned up extensive flooding debris at Mascouten and Tapawingo Parks.
- ✓ Design/Engineering work is beginning on Kingston Trail

**PROGRAM:**

- ✓ Basketball for grades 2 & 3 continues at Cumberland School
- ✓ Weather has improved for the Riverside Skating Center till this last weekend. Must keep rink closed during warm weather to preserve ice.

**MORTON CENTER:**

- ✓ Morton classes are off to a good start! The new classes and instructors are very popular and seeing good registrations.
- ✓ Morton is looking to partner with the Boiler Green Initiative to create a Rain Garden off of Morton's parking lot.

**CELERY BOG NATURE AREA/LILLY NATURE CENTER:**

- ✓ Celery Bog Nature Area Sign/Public Art (RDC) Artist installed during holidays; lighting yet to be completed.
  - ✓ New Wednesdays in the Wild schedule available.
  - ✓ Native Roots now available.
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